



USAID Selects Northrop Grumman for Information Technology Services Blanket Purchase Agreement

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MCLEAN, Va., Jul 14, 2006 (PRIMEZONE via COMTEX News Network) -- The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has awarded Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC) a blanket purchase agreement (BPA) that will help USAID to more efficiently and economically provide and maintain standard information technology (IT) platform and infrastructure services.

Northrop Grumman is one of five companies awarded this indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity (IDIQ) principal resource for information management enterprise-wide (PRIME) 3.2 BPA. This IDIQ BPA ceiling is \$4 billion, collectively. The period of the BPA is one year with four one-year options.

Northrop Grumman and its team will provide services for the USAID, the Department of State and its foreign affairs partners in the following IT functional areas: information technology operations and maintenance support services, communications operations and support services, customer support services and systems integration support.

"With our team's extensive infrastructure and operations expertise, Northrop Grumman stands ready to support the USAID and its mission to transform diplomacy through partnership, efficient use of resources and accountability," said Sid Fuchs, president of the Northrop Grumman IT sector's Civilian Agencies group. "We look forward to working with our industry partners to provide IT infrastructure support for USAID both domestically and overseas."

Northrop Grumman teammates include BearingPoint and Trinity Information Management Services, Inc., McLean, Va.; CACI Inc., Arlington, Va.; Worldwide Information Network Systems Inc., (Laurel, Md.); Intercom Federal Systems Corp., Landsdowne, Va.; Strategic Business Systems Inc., Ramsey, N.J.; AIS Engineering Inc., Silver Spring, Md.; AH Networks Inc., Richmond, Va.; Jean A. Garneau Information Technology, (Vienna, Va.); iPath Technologies, Reston, Va.; Progressive Technology Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich.; TLA, LLC, Denver, Colo.; and Adsystech Inc., Washington, D.C.

Work on the contract will be in Washington, D.C., and other multi-agency domestic and international locations.

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